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May 2006

1 – Consumer Price Index (CPI), All Items, 1992 = 100

Month	CPI	Annual Rate of Inflation	
Whitehorse			
May '06	126.5	2.5%	*(May '05 to May '06)*
Apr. '06	125.8	2.4%	*(Apr. '05 to Apr. '06)*
May '05	123.4	1.6%	*(May '04 to May '05)*
Canada			
May '06	130.6	2.8%	*(May '05 to May '06)*
Apr. '06	130.0	2.4%	*(Apr. '05 to Apr. '06)*
May '05	127.0	1.6%	*(May '04 to May '05)*

Comparing May 2006 with May 2005, the **annual** rate of inflation in Whitehorse (2.5%) was 0.3% lower than the **annual** rate of inflation in Canada (2.8%). In April 2006, the rate of inflation in Whitehorse (2.4%) was the same as the rate for Canada (2.4%). In May 2005, the rate of inflation in Whitehorse (1.6%) was also the same as Canada's rate of 1.6%.

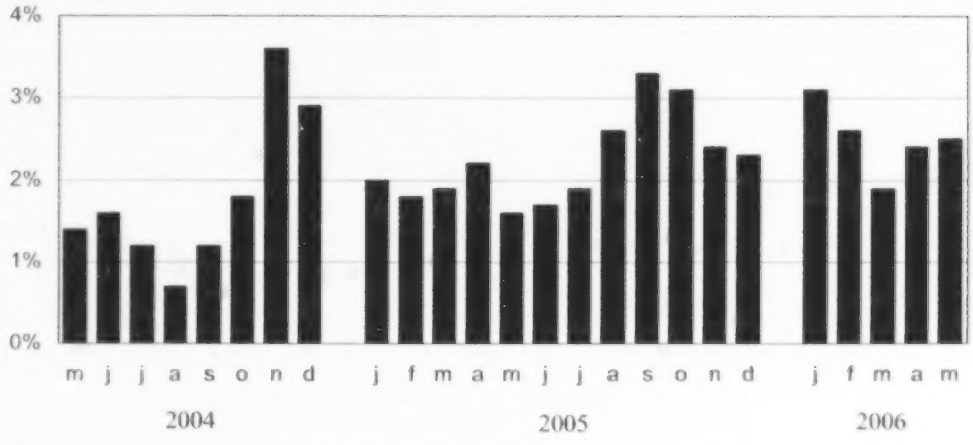
On a **monthly** basis, in Whitehorse (figures for the Yukon are not available) overall prices increased 0.6% from April 2006 to May 2006. Major increases were seen in the following CPI commodities:

- traveller accomodation;
- fresh fruit;
- inter-city transportation

Some of the major decreases offsetting **monthly** increases were:

- pet food and supplies;
- fuel oil and other fuel;
- purchase and leasing of automotive vehicles

Whitehorse's Inflation Rate

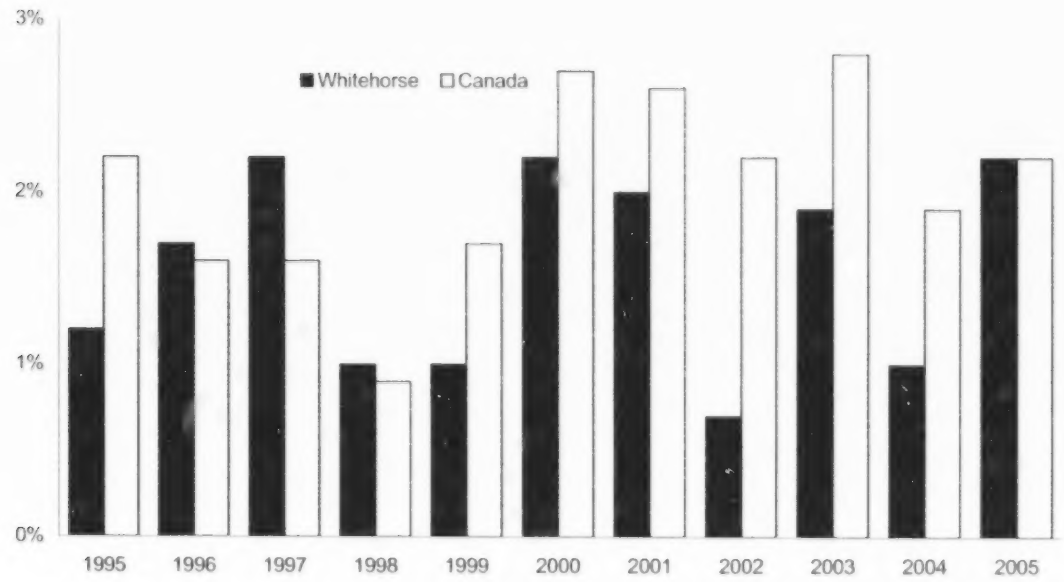


Each bar represents a month of the year, with the first letter of the month's name listed below the bar.

2 Consumer Price Index History - Annual Percentages

Whitehorse (1992 = 100)			Canada (1992 = 100)		
Year	All-Items Index	% Change From Previous Year	Year	All-Items Index	% Change From Previous Year
2005	123.8	2.2	2005	127.3	2.2
2004	121.1	1.0	2004	124.6	1.9
2003	119.9	1.9	2003	122.3	2.8
2002	117.7	0.7	2002	119.0	2.2
2001	116.9	2.0	2001	116.4	2.6
2000	114.6	2.2	2000	113.5	2.7
1999	112.1	1.0	1999	110.5	1.7
1998	111.0	1.0	1998	108.6	0.9
1997	109.9	2.2	1997	107.6	1.6
1996	107.5	1.7	1996	105.9	1.6
1995	105.7	1.2	1995	104.2	2.2

3 The Annual Average Rate of Inflation in Whitehorse vs. Canada



4 Consumer Price Index — (All items, 1992 = 100)

Index for Whitehorse 2004/'05

Month	2004	2005	% Change
Jan.	118.9	121.3	2.0
Feb.	119.3	121.5	1.8
March	119.9	122.2	1.9
April	120.2	122.9	2.2
May	121.5	123.4	1.6
June	121.8	123.9	1.7
July	121.8	124.1	1.9
Aug.	121.3	124.4	2.6
Sept.	121.6	125.6	3.3
Oct.	121.8	125.6	3.1
Nov.	123.1	126.0	2.4
Dec.	122.3	125.1	2.3
Year Average	**121.1**	**123.8**	**2.2**

Index for Canada 2004/'05

Month	2004	2005	% Change
Jan.	122.9	125.3	2.0
Feb.	123.2	125.8	2.1
March	123.6	126.5	2.3
April	123.9	126.9	2.4
May	125.0	127.0	1.6
June	125.1	127.2	1.7
July	125.0	127.5	2.0
Aug.	124.8	128.0	2.6
Sept.	124.9	129.1	3.4
Oct.	125.2	128.5	2.6
Nov.	125.7	128.2	2.0
Dec.	125.4	128.1	2.2
Year Average	**124.6**	**127.3**	**2.2**

Index for Whitehorse 2005/'06

Month	2005	2006	% Change
Jan.	121.3	125.1	3.1
Feb.	121.5	124.6	2.6
March	122.2	124.5	1.9
April	122.9	125.8	2.4
May	**123.4**	**126.5**	**2.5**
June	123.9	-	-
July	124.1	-	-
Aug.	124.4	-	-
Sept.	125.6	-	-
Oct.	125.6	-	-
Nov.	126.0	-	-
Dec.	125.1	-	-
Year Average	**123.8**	**-**	**-**

Index for Canada 2005/'06

Month	2005	2006	% Change
Jan.	125.3	128.8	2.8
Feb.	125.8	128.6	2.2
March	126.5	129.3	2.2
April	126.9	130.0	2.4
May	**127.0**	**130.6**	**2.8**
June	127.2	-	-
July	127.5	-	-
Aug.	128.0	-	-
Sept.	129.1	-	-
Oct.	128.5	-	-
Nov.	128.2	-	-
Dec.	128.1	-	-
Year Average	**127.3**	**-**	**-**

5 Consumer Price Index for Whitehorse — May 2006

	May '06	Apr. '06	% change Apr. '06 to May '06	May '05	% change May '05 to May '06
All-Items	**126.5**	**125.8**	**0.6**	**123.4**	**2.5**
Food	125.9	124.6	1.0	124.4	1.2
Shelter	123.6	123.5	0.1	117.7	5.0
Household Operations & Furnishings	109.0	108.6	0.4	108.2	0.7
Clothing & Footwear	108.4	107.4	0.9	108.0	0.4
Transportation	159.5	158.8	0.4	152.8	4.4
Health & Personal Care	111.3	111.4	-0.1	107.7	3.3
Recreation, Education & Reading	111.8	110.1	1.5	112.2	-0.4
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco Products	155.3	155.2	0.1	153.4	1.2
Special Aggregates					
Energy	183.5	183.1	0.2	167.3	9.7
All-Items excluding Energy	121.7	120.9	0.7	119.7	1.7

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is produced on a monthly basis by Statistics Canada. The data used to determine the CPI are collected by survey and the results are released in Statistics Canada publication ***The Consumer Price Index***, catalogue no. 62-001. The Index is used to determine price change (inflation) in a given city or province over time. In order to calculate the inflation rate in an area, an index for two time periods is required. The percentage change in this index from one point in time to the next is known as the 'rate of inflation' (or 'rate of deflation' if there is a decrease).

The current official time base of the Consumer Price Index (CPI) is 1992 = 100.

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